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SUBJ: EGYPTIAN PRESS ON KUWAITI DEVELOPMENTS

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1. CAIRO PRESS SEPTEMBER 1 KEEPS SPOTLIGHT ON KUWAIT. ALL LEAD STORIES EMPHASIZE DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY ALLEGED LIBYAN ROLE IN "CORRUPTION" KUWAITI JOURNALISM.

2. ALL DAILIES REPORT KUWAITI MININFO'S CANCELLATION OF AN ADVERTISEMENT WHICH LARG WISHED TO PLACE IN AL-RA'I AL-'AM ON OCCASION LIBYAN NATIONAL DAY. ADVERTISEMENT WAS TO COST "MORE THAN KD 25,000." GOK REPORTEDLY CANCELLED OTHER ADS INCLUDING ONE IN ANOTHER (UNNAMED) PAPER ALLEGEDLY WORTH KD 150,000.

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3. PRIMIN JABIR'S LIVE TV ADDRESS IS ALSO COVERED AT LENGTH
AND "DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES IN KUWAIT" ARE SAID TO HAVE
INTERPRETED HIS REMARKS AS EMPHASIZING FUTURE GOK
DETERMINATION MAINTAIN NATIONAL SECURITY, ORGANIZE PRESS,
AND SOLVE PEOPLE'S LIVING PROBLEMS.

4. COMMENT: EGYPTIAN PRESS CONTINUES TO USE KUWAITI
CONSTITUTION CRISIS AS WHIP TO FLAY LARG'S ALLEGED
MEDDLING IN A SISTER COUNTRY'S DOMESTIC AFFAIRS.
KUWAITI EVENTS ARE ALSO HELPFUL TO GOE IN ITS OWN
EFFORT CONTROL PRESS. SHAIKH JABIR'S COMMENT THAT
PRESS HAS DUTY TO CRITICIZE "CONSTRUCTIVELY" AND MUST NOT
JUMP TO UNFOUNDED ACCUSATIONS IS EXACTLY WHAT SADAT HAS BEEN
SAYING IN HIS SPEECHES FOR THE LAST SIX MONTHS.
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